

Hamza Mustafa Memorial Bursary

Bursary Regulations

Focus

Veterinary Science

Level of Study

Undergraduate

Purpose

The Hamza Mustafa Memorial Bursary supports a Bachelor of Veterinary Science student who is experiencing financial hardship.

Background

Hamza Mustafa was a 16-year-old student who died in the Christchurch mosque shootings on 15 March 2019. Hamza's ambition was to study veterinary science and work in the veterinary field. This bursary was established, with approval from his mother, in memory of him.

The bursary was made possible due to the fundraising efforts of the staff at the School of Veterinary Science, Massey University, resulting in a large contribution from the VetNZ group, along with other corporate and individual sponsors both within New Zealand and overseas.

Value and Tenure

The exact value of the bursary is determined each year from the interest earned on the capital fund, held by the Massey University Foundation, but is expected to be approximately \$2,500. The bursary is offered annually, and the tenure is for a single academic year

Typical Number on Offer

One bursary is typically offered each year.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- studying full time in the Bachelor of Veterinary Science (pre-selection or professional phase) at Massey University
- able to demonstrate financial need

Selection Criteria

The selection will be based on demonstrated financial hardship and the applicant's position on the importance of inclusivity in the veterinary profession.

Preference may be given to students who are Muslim or belong to an under-represented ethnic group in the veterinary profession, and/or who are from the Canterbury area.

Selection Committee

The bursary is awarded by the University Scholarships Committee on the recommendation of the Veterinary Programme Management Committee.

Conditions of the Scholarship

The selection panel has the right to refrain from making an award in the event of there being no suitable applicants and its decision is final.

The bursary may be held in conjunction with other scholarships, bursaries or awards, so long as those scholarships, bursaries or awards permit co-tenure.